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HISTORICAL

(Revised and Edited, 1959, by Ray Byrne)

On June 14, 1878, eight men met formally in Pittsburgh to organize a society for the study of numismatic science and for exchange of ideas and information. On that date the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society came into being. The founders were:

George H. Clapp	S. H. Morgan
Frank J. Kirk	John Rivett
E. F. Maynard	George W. Rode
Henry McKnight	R. W. Shipman

This group continued informal meetings during the first year, and on June 20, 1879, when the membership roll included seventeen names, the first officers were elected. These officers were:

S. H. Morgan, President
Frank J. Kirk, Vice-President
George W. Rode, Secretary
E. F. Maynard, Treasurer
J. E. H. Kelley, Curator

The present constitution and a set of by-laws were adopted on November 21, 1879, and these original documents, subscribed to with the signatures of the early members, remain in the Society's possession. After some years, disagreements arose among the members which resulted in a formal dissolution of the Society on December 6, 1889, and the library and cabinet were divided among the members at that time. The Society remained dormant until 1910, when it was revised by some of its members, who organized it under the original constitution.

Since its revival, the Society has continued to grow and flourish, much of the credit for which belongs to George F. Marlier who served as President through many of its most difficult years. The library has been re-established and continues to grow; monthly meetings have proved to be a valuable source of information and mutual help to the membership. The Fiftieth Anniversary of the Society was celebrated by a dinner at the Rittenhouse Hotel, in Pittsburgh, on June 14, 1928, at which time a medal was issued to commemorate the occasion. The Sixtieth Anniversary was also marked by a dinner

in the Harvard-Yale-Princeton Club of Pittsburgh on December 13, 1938.

The Society issued medals in 1878 and 1879 as official souvenirs of the Pittsburgh Exposition in those years. Each was struck in silver, white metal, bronze and brass, and although no record survives of the numbers struck, complete sets are difficult to obtain. The medal issued in 1928 was designed by the late Andrey Avinoff and was produced by the Medallic Art Company of New York; 10 were struck in silver and 400 in bronze. All of these pieces are illustrated in the present publication.

Close ties have been maintained with the American Numismatic Association, to which the Society was host at its annual convention in August, 1935. This was the second visit of the A. N. A. to Pittsburgh. The Association's first convention, following its organization in Chicago in 1891, was held at Niagara Falls, N. Y., in the Spring of 1892, but adjourned to complete its business later in the same year at Pittsburgh. Relations with the Carnegie Museum, where the Society's meetings have been held for many years, have also been most cordial, Andrey Avinoff, Director of the Museum from 1926 to 1945, was an honorary member, as was George H. Clapp, our last surviving charter member and long a Trustee of the Museum, while four other members have served as curators or associates in the Museum's Section of Coins.

The present issue of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society comes in the Eighty-Second Anniversary year. The Membership Roster which is included attempts to list all members with the years of their election to membership. This has been based upon the Roster published in 1938, amended by later additions to the membership and by information gleaned from further study of old records. It is probable that errors and omissions still exist since minutes of many early meetings have been lost or destroyed. It is hoped that members and former members will communicate to the Secretary any information that they may have which will provide correction of these defects.

PAST PRESIDENTS

S. H. Morgan	1879-1882
Thomas Ramsden	1882-1889
Henry McKnight	1910-1912
Charles H. Shinkle	1912-1918
Dr. G. F. E. Wilharm	1918-1920
F. N. Boyle	1920-1923
Perley W. Locker	1923-1924
George F. Marlier	1924-1932
Lou F. Marks	1932-1933
George F. Marlier	1933-1938
Charles S. Hall	1938-1940
William W. Woodside	1940-1942
A. Earl Coatsworth	1942-1946
Sidney K. Eastwood	1946-1948
Robert S. Porter, Jr.	1948-1950
J. Verner Scaife, Jr.	1950-1952
George C. Kiefer	1952-1954
Robert C. Dixon	1954-1955
Prosper E. DeVos	1955-1957
Dr. Paul McBride Gillis	1957-1959
John M. Kennedy	1959-1961
Richard T. Foley	1961-1962

HONORARY MEMBERS

Charles E. McGirk	February 3, 1914
Charles Molnar	April 2, 1928
Andrey Avinoff	January 8, 1935
Harley L. Freeman	March 5, 1935
George H. Clapp	June 7, 1938
A. Charles Gies	June 7, 1938
George F. Marlier	June 7, 1938
Henry Hunt	July 3, 1946
Sidney K. Eastwood	February 7, 1956
William W. Woodside	November 17,1960

OFFICERS 1963-1964

Raymond A. Byrne	President
James O. Sloss	Vice-President
Glenn A. Mooney	Secretary-Treasurer
Jack F. Burns	Curator

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CONSTITUTION

Adopted November 21, 1879

Article I

This Society shall be called "The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society". Its object shall be the promotion of Numismatic Science and the formation of a Cabinet and Library for the use of its members.

Article II

The Society shall consist of Resident, Corresponding and Honorary Members.

Article III

The officers shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Curator, all of whom shall be eleced annually at the regular meeting in June.

They shall hold office for one year, beginning with the regular meeting in July.

Article IV

The right of voting, of holding office and of transacting business shall be confined to Resident Members.

Applications for membership must be made to the Secretary in writing before action by the Society can be taken.

Article V

The Society shall possess a Certificate of Membership.

Article VI

The name of a candidate for membership of any class must be proposed in writing, by a resident member, in good standing, and the nomination shall lay over until the next regular meeting of the Society, when the election may be held, by ballot. Two-thirds (⅔) of the members present may suspend the rules and action on the application can be taken at once.

Three (3) black balls shall exclude from election.

Article VII

The Society shall not be dissolved as long as seven (7) resident members remain, except with the consent of all the members.

Article VIII

The Society shall establish such By-Laws as may be deemed necessary for its government and regulation.

Article IX

No change shall be made in this Constitution unless by vote of three-fourths (¾) of the members present at a stated meeting and unless notice of the proposed change shall be given in writing, signed by three (3) members, at a previous meeting.

BY-LAWS

Adopted October 4, 1938

Article I, Meetings

1. The regular meeting shall be held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M.
2. Five (5) Resident Members in good standing shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
3. The order of business shall be as follows, viz:—
   1. Reading of the minutes of the previous. meeting. - Treasurer's report.
   2. Reports of Committees.
   3. Correspondence.
   4. Deferred business.
   5. New business.
   6. Program.
   7. Adjournment.

Article II, Officers

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, shall approve in writing all expenditures ordered by the Society, and shall direct the activities of the Society.
2. The Vice-President shall, in the absence of the President, perform the duties of the President; and in the event of a vacancy in the office of President, that office and title shall be assumed by the Vice-President until the next annual election.
3. The Secretary shall keep correct minutes of all meetings of the Society, in books provided for the purpose; he shall keep the accounts between the Society and its members; he shall receive all money due the Society, and shall pay it over to the Treasurer taking his receipt for the same; shall notify all

members of the time and place of meetings; and shall attest the President's approval of expenditures ordered by the Society.

4. The Treasurer shall receive from the Secretary all money which may be paid to the Society, and shall give his receipt for the same. He shall have custody of all funds of the Society, and shall be authorized to open accounts in such banks as necessary. He shall pay all obligations of the Society upon receipt of written approval by the President, attested by the Secretary. The Treasurer shall keep a correct account, in books provided for the purpose, of all money received and paid out, which books shall be open to inspection by any member.

5. The Curator shall have charge of all coin, books, etc., belonging to the Society, and shall keep a correct catalogue of the same. He shall permit access thereto by the members, under such rules as the Society may adopt.

6. The President shall present a written report, at the Annual Meeting, of the activities of the Society during the preceding year. The Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Curator shall each present a written report, at the Annual Meeting, of the work of their respective offices during the preceding year.

Article III, Committees

1. The standing committees of the Society shall be the Executive Committee, the Program Committee, the Publicity Committee, the Membership Committee, the Auditing Committee, and the Nominating Committee.

2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Society and the Chairmen of the Membership, Program and Publicity Committees, and shall meet from time to time as it deems necessary or on call by the President. It shall have power to conduct routine business subject to the approval of the Society at its next regular meeting. It shall also have power, subject to the Constitution and the By-Laws, to act for the Society in matters of emergency, where time will not permit calling a special meeting of the Society.

3. The Membership Committee shall receive all applications and recommendations for membership;

shall investigate all applicants; and, after meeting to consider applicants, shall submit a written report of its investigations. The duties of the Committee shall not extend to cases of Honorary Membership.

4. The Program Committee shall have charge of programs, special events, etc., and shall arrange places for meetings of the Society.

5. The Publicity Committee shall, wherever possible, bring to public attention the activities of the Society which are of general news value; shall when possible publicize the science of numismatics; shall inform the membership of numismatic meetings, conventions, etc., shall prepare the Society's membership roster, etc., when that is ordered to be printed; and shall when possible arrange for public exhibition of numismatic material.

6. The Auditing Committee shall be appointed at the Annual Meeting, and shall consist of two members, neither of whom shall be the Treasurer, Secretary or Curator. The committee shall audit the books of the Treasurer, Secretary and Curator, and shall present a written report of such audit at the next regular meeting.

7. A Nominating Committee of three members shall be appointed at least one month prior to the Annual Meeting and shall report at the Annual Meeting.

Article IV, Dues, etc.

1. The Initiation Fee shall be two ($2.00) dollars, payable with application for membership, and the dues shall be one ($1.00) dollar per annum payable in advance. Any member who neglects to pay his dues for three years shall be suspended after action has been taken by the Society, at any stated meeting, until all his dues have been paid.

2. The Society may expel a member upon receipt of a resolution, presented in writing and signed by three (3) Resident Members in good standing. Such resolution shall be laid over until a subsequent meeting of the Society, when it shall be presented for action, provided that written notice of the time, place, and purpose of such meeting has been given to the offending member. Upon passage of such a resolution by a majority of the Resident Members

1878
Silver, White Metal, Bronze, Brass

1879
Silver, White Metal, Bronze, Brass
(Obverse like 1878)

W. P. N. S. MEDALS

1928
Silver, Bronze

present, the President shall declare the offending member expelled from the Society.

3. Any member may withdraw from the Society by paying in full all indebtedness to the Society, and by signifying his desire in writing. Any member who has withdrawn from the Society may rejoin within one year thereafter by signifying his intention in writing, and without payment of initiation fees; such application for readmission to be presented to the Society for action as if a new application.

4. No member shall without the consent of the Society, lend papers, books, medals, etc., belonging to the Society to any person, not a member.

Article V, Members

1. Honorary Members who have been elected from the roster of Resident Members shall continue to have the same rights and privileges as prior to election to Honorary Membership. All Honorary Members shall be exempt from payment of dues.

2. Corresponding Members shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. They will be expected to correspond with the Society at least once every six months on topics relating to the objects for which this Society is established.

3. The names of the eight (8) founders of this Society and of all Past Presidents and of the Honorary Members, whether living or dead, shall be published in every printed list of members of the Society.

Article VI, Amendment

1. Changes in or additions to these By-Laws shall be made only as follows:—(a) Notice of a proposal to amend shall be given at a regular meeting of the Society, and the proposal shall then be laid over until the next subsequent regular meeting; (b) In notices to members, the Secretary shall state that amendments have been proposed for action at the next regular meeting; (c) At the next regular meeting following the proposal to amend, the proposal shall be read and submitted to a vote, and upon approval thereof by a vote of two-thirds of the members present the amendment shall have full effect as part of these By-Laws.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

H. Abczynski	1923
R. S. Abczynski	1921
Duane Adams	1962
E. P. Aitchison	1962
William L. Alexander	1954
Andrey Avinoff	Honorary 1935
William L. Bailey	1934
Adam M. Barker	1933
John S. Barrett	1932
Harry C. Bartley	1956
Frank M. Beam	1963
John A. Beck	
William Behrenberg	1922
Otho J. Bierly	
W. E. Bixler	1926
Charles H. Book	1912
Robert D. Book	1879
F. N. Boyle	1916
Henry A. Breed	1879
Thomas K. Brown	1924
W. L. Buettler	1879
Oscar W. Bullions	1931
Samuel G. Bullions	1940
Jack F. Burns	1956
Ralph J. Buterbaugh	1940
Ray Byrne	1954
J. A. Calderhead	1911
Edward E. Carothers	1919
John Cingota	1939
George H. Clapp	Founder Honorary 1938
A. Earl Coatsworth	1934
R. A. Coleman	1954
E. G. Comingo	1878
Earl H. Compton	1954
Ross Cooper	1950
J. C. Cotton	1879
B. B. Coursin	1879
William H. Cramer	
Thomas Cunningham	Corresponding 1880
William G. Darlington	1927
George B. Davidge	1942
David L. Davis	1954
Prosper E. DeVos	1938

Robert C. Dixon 1948
Gordon Dodrill 1961
Joseph B. Drake 1923
Joseph Early 1929
Sidney K. Eastwood 1932
Honorary 1956

Duane L. Feisel 1956
Martin J. Flarity 1920
Richard T. Foley 1953
Charles E. Friesell 1932
Harley L. Freeman ..... Honorary 1935
Albert Froelich 1920
David Froelich 1920
William A. Gaede 1919
R. M. Gardner 1948
Samuel Gerhardt 1912
Howard D. Gibbs 1911
A. Charles Gies 1879
Honorary 1938

Dr. Paul McBride Gillis 1938
A. Glockner, Jr. 1879
Robert L. Glose 1961
Meyer Goddy 1946
Harry Goodrich 1927
Charles F. Gratz 1956
R. M. Grieg ..... Corresponding 1960
William E. Grose 1953
J. Walter Hags 1936
Charles S. Hall 1933
W. R. Haslett 1879
James Hendel 1949
Dr. J. F. Hepting 1938
Jesse Hildebrand 1879
Fred Hoffman 1929
Robert J. Hudson, M.D. 1959
Henry Hunt 1932
Honorary 1946

G. M. Hunter
John S. Kachmar 1944
Dr. George J. Kastlin 1938
J. E. H. Kelley 1879
John M. Kennedy 1947
George C. Kiefer 1940
C. W. Kirk 1879
Frank J. Kirk ..... Founder
Gottlieb Kraft 1912
William D. Krchnak 1959

Ithamar B. Lando 1956
Charles T. Larkins 1919
Samuel F. Laughlin 1929
J. P. Lencofsky 1946
M. H. Leonard 1946
Robert A. Lloyd 1953
Perley W. Locker 1919
C. Hays Long, Jr. 1937
Chauncey A. Loomis 1948
Lyman H. Low ..... Corresponding 1885
Clyde F. MacKewiz 1953
A. S. Mallek 1921
Charles S. Manning 1921
George F. Marlier 1911
Honorary 1938

Lou F. Marks 1930
Lee F. Mason 1959
Edgar B. Mayer 1952
E. F. Maynard ..... Founder
James McCune, Jr. 1931
Charles E. McGirk ..... Honorary 1914
Kenneth L. McIntosh 1941
Henry McKnight ..... Founder
Horace G. Mockett 1936
Horace G. Mockett, Jr. 1937
Charles Molnar ..... Honorary 1928
Glenn A. Mooney 1961
S. H. Morgan ..... Founder
Ervin C. Moundy 1934
Armour M. Murdoch 1950
J. S. Murray 1879
Sidney F. Murphy 1879
David H. Nelson 1959
G. P. Nichols ..... Corresponding 1881
Edward L. Oschman 1963
Fred C. Parker 1924
David Paul 1959
Roberto Pesant 1961
T. W. Peters 1942
William C. Piper 1919
William Poillon ..... Corresponding 1912
Robert S. Porter, Jr. 1939
Thomas Ramsden 1879
George J. Regensberger 1930
W. H. Reinhart 1932
W. W. Reynolds 1936
Lu Riggs 1944

John Rivett ..... Founder
Burt H. Riviere 1951
Chalmers M. Roberts 1926
George W. Rode ..... Founder
A. J. Rogers 1879
George N. Romah 1952
Stanley F. Rudert 1939
J. Verner Scaife, Jr. 1935
William G. Schallcross 1924
Paul J. Scheetz 1958
Benjamin T. Schmauk 1880
Dr. Paul Schnurmann 1929
Ferdinand Sermin 1879
R. L. Shaffer 1940
Charles H. Shinkle 1885
R. W. Shipman ..... Founder
Joseph A. Sloan 1924
Dr. J. O. Sloss 1941
Addison Smith 1927
Emerson S. Smith 1958
Robert G. Sommers 1956
Warren L. Starrett 1929
Arthur N. Steinmark 1922
Clark O. Stockdale 1954
B. G. Stoneking 1943
W. Stranz 1935
Edmund A. Sweeney 1955
C. E. Tharp 1929
Rob Roy M. Thorne 1937
Henry A. Trautman 1925
Eldridge Tucker 1926
George P. Vogeley 1959
Dr. A. L. Walleck 1927
Chester F. Warren 1937
G. G. Welsh 1946
Dr. Robert Whan 1960
David J. White 1879
Dr. G. F. E. Wilharm
Philip A. Williams 1958
H. E. Wilson 1885
William W. Woodside 1920
Honorary 1960
H. E. Woodward ..... Corresponding 1880
Victor Yantschik 1929
Richard E. Yeager 1959
Thomas G. Young 1948
George Zimmerman 1920
Joseph Zoler, Jr. 1932

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP LIST FOR 1963

June, 1963

Adams, Duane,
190 Chestnut Street, Beaver .....
Aitchison, E. P.,
1440 River Road, Beaver .....
Bartley, Harry C.,
7012 Ohio River Blvd., Pittsburgh 2 761-7412
Beam, Frank M.,
209 Laurel Avenue, Pittsburgh 2 .....
Burns, Jack F.,
105 Lee Road, Pittsburgh 9 486-6127
Byrne, Raymond A.,
701 N. Negley Avenue, Pittsburgh 6 441-0738
Cingota, John,
948 Emerson Drive, Brackenridge .....AC 4-3656
Cooper, Ross A.,
Cooper, Ross A., '59
233 Arden Road, Pittsburgh .....
Davis, David L.,
216 St. Clair Drive, Irwin .....
DeVos, Prosper E.,
P. O. Box 454, Carnegie .....
Dixon, Robert C.,
211 North Avenue, Pittsburgh 9 821-2288
Dodrill, Gordon.
2225 Brownsville Road, Pittsburgh 10 884-5596
Eastwood, Sydney K.,
526 Madison St., New Orleans 16, La. .....
Feisel, Duane H.,
2412 Mt. Pleasant Rd., Monroeville .....VA 3-2680
Foley, Richard T.,
1286 Folkstone Drive, Pittsburgh 16 279-3035
Gillis, Rev. Paul McBride,
18635 Lauder Avenue, Detroit 35. Mich. .....
Glose, Robert L.,
701 Amberson Avenue, Pittsburgh 32 621-9267

Goddy, Meyer,
5543 Black Street, Pittsburgh 6 441-1857
Gratz, Charles F.,
6230 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh 32 362-2770
Greig, R. M. (Corresponding Member)
2 Sallis Avenue, Tranmere, So. Australia .....
Hendel, James,
5411 Normley Place, Pittsburgh 17 683-6086
Hudson, Dr. Robert J.,
121 University Place, Pittsburgh 13 681-0996
Kennedy, John M.,
2287 Reis Run Road, Pittsburgh 2 364-2586
Kiefer, George C.,
951 Penn Avenue, Brackenridge .....AC 4-2803
Krchnak, William D.,
2013 Freeport Road, Natrona Heights ....AC 4-3997
Lando, Ithamar B.,
1211 Inverness Street, Pittsburgh 17 621-0275
Laughlin, Sam F.,
818 MacFarlane Drive, Pittsburgh 35 .....
Lencofsky, J. P.,
16564 Upland, Fontana, California .....
Lloyd, Robert A.,
Lloyd, Robert A., '59
3089 Pinehurst Drive, Pittsburgh 16 341-1850
Loomis, C. A.,
c/o Duquesne Light Co., 435 Sixth Ave., Pgh. 19
Marlier, George F.,
48 Pittsburgh Street, Pittsburgh 2 766-8279
Mayer, E. B.,
Riverside Apts., Stuart, Florida .....
Mooney, Glenn A.,
521 Penn Vista Drive, Pittsburgh 35 371-2249
Murdoch, Armour M.,
1111 Franklin Avenue, Pittsburgh 21 731-9807
Nelson, David H., '59
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20 Wheeler Avenue, Pittsburgh 5 .....
Paul, David,
5521 Sixteenth Street, Seattle 5, Wash. .....
Peters, T. W.,
123 Sycamore Drive, Pittsburgh 35 793-5300

Porter, Robert S., Jr.,
968 Morgan Street, Brackenridge .....AC 4-1110
Pesant, Roberto,
c/o Jack F. Burns, 105 Lee Road, Pittsburgh 9 .....
Oschman, Edward L.,
135 Longvue Drive, Pittsburgh 37 .....
Romah, George,
1812 Warriors Road, Pittsburgh 5 921-5182
Scheetz, Paul,
5815 Wilkins Avenue, Pittsburgh 17 421-1783
Sloss, Dr. J. O.,
1425 Third Street, Beaver .....
Smith, Emerson S.,
1046 Cedar Blvd., Pittsburgh 28 561-2885
Stockdale, Clark O.,
727 Gallion Avenue, Pittsburgh 26 531-0923
Sweeney, Edmund A.,
Sweeney, Edmund A., '59
56 Tomoka Avenue, Pittsburgh 29 931-4759
Whan, Dr. Robert,
9 S. Linden Avenue, Pittsburgh 5 .....
Williams, Philip A.,
689 Oxford Blvd., Pittsburgh 16 279-2926
Woodside, William W.,
7434 Richland Manor Dr., Pittsburgh 8 371-0247
Yantschik, Victor,
3045 Vensel Street, Pittsburgh 12 766-5385
Yeager, Richard E.,
482 Spring Valley Rd., W. Mifflin, Dravosburg .....
466-8404

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Porter
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Plan of a part of the basement of Carnegie Institute

to show location of ROOM 10 for meetings of W.P.N.S.

From 1st floor use elevator or stair as indicated.

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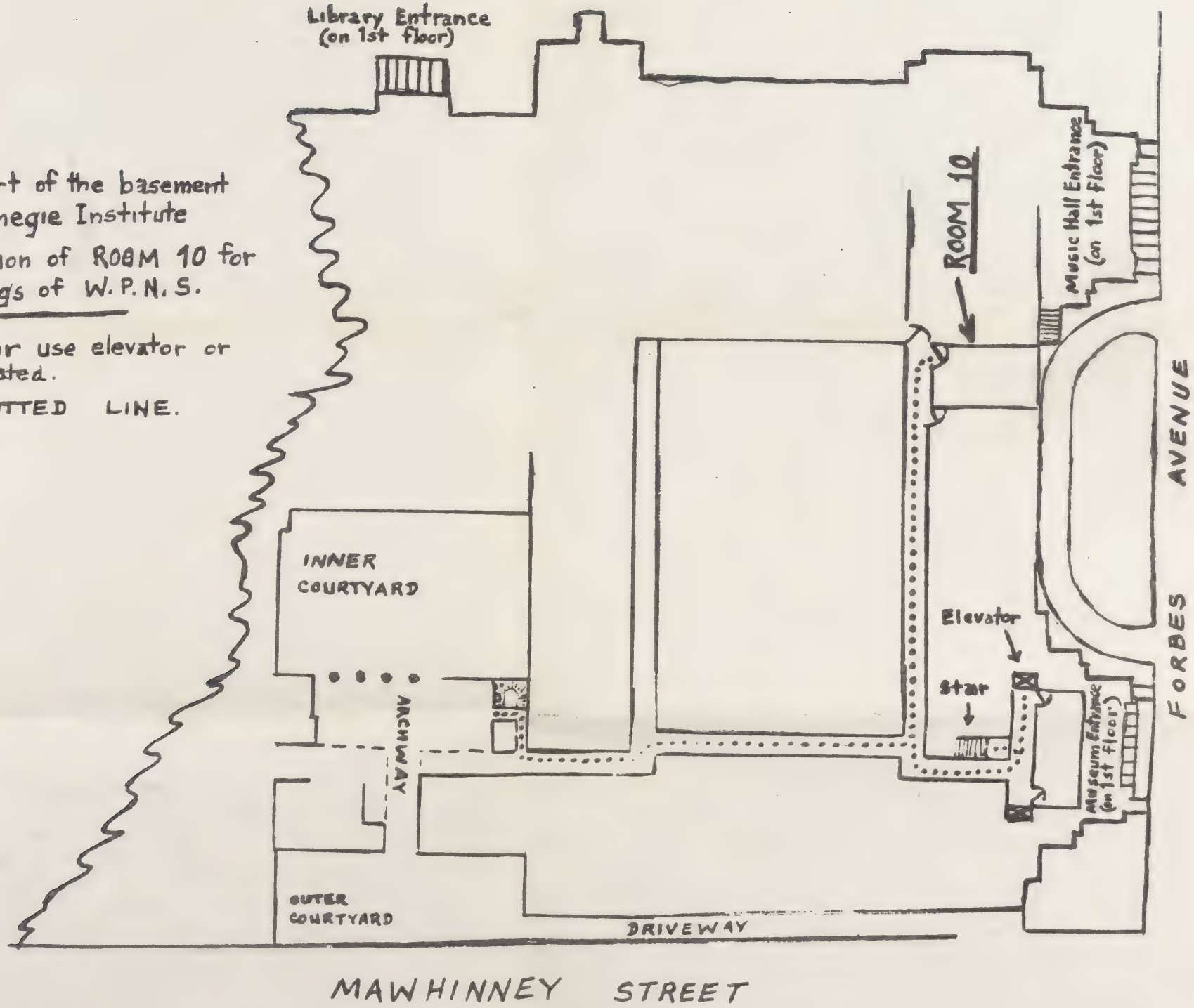

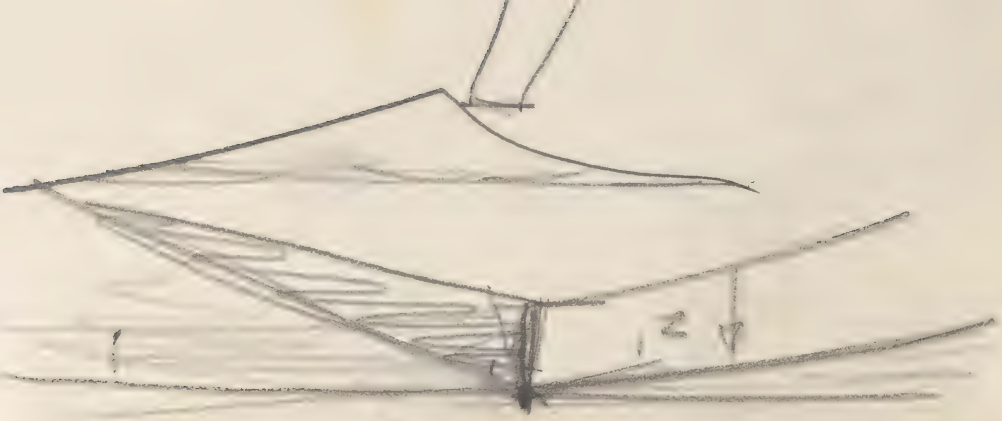

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Chr. Robert S Porter Jr

W. W. Woodside

Richard T. Foley

Date Social Aug 3rd

Do R. J. Hudson. Chr -

OFFICERS

Raymond A. Byrne.....President
James O. Sloss.....Vice-President
John Knabenschuh ..... Secretary-Treasurer
Jack F. Burns.....Curator

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Address of Secretary

JOHN KNABENSCHUH
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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Chairman—Robert S. Porter

Philip A. Williams William W. Woodside

Emerson S. Smith

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PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Chairman—James O. Sloss

Richard T. Foley Robert L. Glose

David L. Davis

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COIN INFORMATION COMMITTEE

Robert J. Hudson

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Founded June 14, 1878

1964-1965

PROGRAM 1964-1965

All meetings unless otherwise noted will be held in the Library of the Carnegie Museum, Pittsburgh, at 8:00 P.M.

September 1, 1964

"Carnegie Museum Collection"
EXHIBITS—Museum Collection
.....William W. Woodside

October 6, 1964

"Numismatic Equestrians".....John A. Nelson
EXHIBITS—American Copper and Nickel

November 3, 1964

"Australian Coins" .....William Hunter
EXHIBITS—British Colonials

November 14, 1964—ANNUAL DINNER

Stouffer's Restaurant on Wood Street
Saturday at 6:00 P.M.
Speaker—To be announced later.
EXHIBITS of your choice—Bourse and Auction

December 1, 1964

"Coins of Haiti and St. Dominique".....Ray Byrne
EXHIBITS—
—Caribbean and Central American Coins

January 5, 1965

"Swastika on Coins".....Gordon Dodrill
EXHIBITS—Coins of the World

February 2, 1965

"Unusual Numismatic Experiences"....Phil Williams
EXHIBITS—Off-beat Numismatic Items

March 2, 1965

"Religious Controversy on Coins".....George Kiefer
EXHIBITS—Paper Money of the World

April 6, 1965

"Canadian Numismatics".....Prosper E. DeVos
EXHIBITS—Canadian Coins and Tokens

May 4, 1965

"Ships on Coins" ..... John Knabenschuh
EXHIBITS—American Silver Coins

June 1, 1965

"Territorial Coins".....Dr. Robert J. Hudson
EXHIBITS—U. S. Territorial Coins

July 6, 1965

"Early American Gold" .....Dr. J. O. Sloss
EXHIBITS—U. S. Gold Coins

August 3, 1965

SOCIAL MEETING
(Details to be announced later.)

A NUMISMATIST SHARES HIS KNOWLEDGE

PROMOTE NUMISMATICS

BRING A PROSPECTIVE MEMBER

OFFICERS

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James O. Sloss.....Vice-President
Glenn A. Mooney.....Secretary-Treasurer
Jack F. Burns.....Curator

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"The Kittanning Medal".....Dr. Robert J. Hudson
EXHIBITS—Tokens of Western Pennsylvania.

October 1, 1963

"Coinage of Panama".....Jack F. Burns
EXHIBITS—Coins of Central America.

November 5, 1963

"Ancient British Coins".....William W. Woodside
EXHIBITS—Coins of Great Britain.

November 16, 1963—ANNUAL DINNER

Stouffer's Restaurant on Wood Street
Saturday at 6:00 P.M.
Speaker, John J. Pittman of Rochester, N. Y.
"Auction of the Palace Collection of Ex-King Farouk."
EXHIBITS of your choice—Bourse.

December 3, 1963

"Somners Islands".....Raymond A. Byrne
EXHIBITS—Colonial American Numismatics.

January 7, 1964

"A New Look at Indian Cents"....Glenn A. Mooney
EXHIBITS—American Copper.

February 4, 1964

"Oddities in Numismatics".....Philip A. Williams
EXHIBITS—Items pertaining to Numismatics.

March 3, 1964

"Australasian Tokens".....Richard T. Foley
EXHIBITS—British Colonial.

April 7, 1964

"Confederate Paper Money".....George C. Kiefer
EXHIBITS—Byzantine, Roman Series.

May 5, 1964

"Tokens of Pittsburgh".....Harry C. Bartley
EXHIBITS—Tokens of the Pittsburgh Area.

June 2, 1964

"Standing Liberty Quarters", Robert S. Porter, Jr.
EXHIBITS—American Silver.

July 7, 1964

"Estate Planning and Insurance"
.....Emmerson S. Smith and Ithamar B. Lando
EXHIBITS—American Gold.

August 4, 1964

SOCIAL MEETING
(Details to be announced later)

A COLLECTOR WHO JOINS SHOULD DISPLAY HIS COINS

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ENCOURAGE NUMISMATICS
BRING A FRIEND

W. P. N. S.
CHATTER

April 5, 1960

Number IX

Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, will have their monthly meeting at Carnegie Museum, on Tuesday, April 8, 1960, Museum Library. Time 8:00 P.M.

Speaker:

President John M. Kennedy

Subject:

"U.S. Dimes"

Exhibits:

U.S. and Territorial Gold

Bourse Tables- Buy, sell or trade your duplicates

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Secretary's Notes

Change of Address: Dr. J. O. Sloss, 1425 3rd Ave., Beaver, Pa.
New Member Address: Dr. Robert Whan, 15 Hodgson Ave., Pgh. 5, Pa.

The Mon Valley Coin Club will hold an exhibit, bourse and blackboard auction in the Ball Room of the Charleroi Elks Club, Third St. and Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, Pa. on May 15, 1960 from 11:00 A.M. to 9;00 P.M.

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Robert Albert Lloyd
Secretary-Treasurer

WPNS CHATTER

number IV — Month of Nov.

The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society will have a meeting, on Nov. 3, 1959, at Carnegie Museum Library, time - 8:00 P. M., Speaker - Mr. Charles F. Gratz, Subject - "U.S. Proof Coins Before 1858" Exhibits - Proof Coins of All Countries.

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ANNUAL DINNER

The Annual Dinner of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society will be held on Nov. 21st, at Stouffer's Restaurant, Wood St., Time - 6:00 P. M. tt 11;00 P. M., Price - $4.00 for Steak Dinner, Bourse tables and Exhibits will be there. Speaker - Mr. Michael Kolman Jr., from Federal Coin Exchange, (Cleveland, Ohio) Subject -"Mint Errors"

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Robert A. Lloyd
Robert A. Lloyd
Secretary-Treasurer

W. P. N. S. CHATTER

Number VIII March 1, 1960

The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society will have a meeting at Carnegie Museum Library, on March 1, 1960, Time 8:00 P. M.

Subject:

"Carnegie Museum Coin Collection"

By W. W. Woodside

Exhibits:

Members Choice - Membership Tour to Coin Dept.
(U. S. Large Cents)

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Secretaries Note

In reply to several requests about inactive members, I received information about one of our members.

Mr. Wm. A. Gaede, is in a serious condition in the Presbyterian Hospital. After recovering from a lengthy Illness, he had an apparent stroke at the beginning of Feb.

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R. A. Lloyd
Secretary-Treasurer

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC

SOCIETY DUES STATEMENT Number I

Dues for the year 1959 ------- $

Dues Unpaid Previous to 1959 --$

TOTAL DUE -$____

Make remittances to Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society and mail to Robert A. Lloyd, Secretary-Treasurer, 3089 Pinehurst Ave., Pgh. 16, Pa. (Dormont)
(Please return this statement with your check)

Hi Ray,

Here's a copy of my "Study of the N. P. N. S." I said that I would let you read the results. I'm not so sure that its worth the time or the effort, but here it is. It brought a B- and a final B in the course, which I guess is good enough. I hope you don't think that I drew to much from the By-Laws, etc. Anyway thanks again.

Bill Hunter

Small Group Study

The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society (W. P. N. S.) is a society formed June 14, 1878 under a constitution adopted November 21, 1879. The object is "the promotion of Numismatic Science and the formation of a Cabinet and Library for the use of its members".[1]

The "Webster's New World Dictionary" definition of numismatics is "the study or collection of coins and medals". The word coins is generally expanded in this sense to mean anything that at one time or another is used as money or as a substitute for money (paper currency, parking tokens, street car fares, etc.). The Numismatic Society began with informal meetings of eight men in Pittsburgh. Formal meetings began on June 20, 1879 with the election of officers. The founders were: George H. Clapp; Frank J. Kirk; E. F. Maynard; Henry McKnight; S. H. Morgan; John Rivett; George W. Rode; and R. W. Shipman. Meetings and club functions have been continuous excluding the period December 6, 1889 until 1910. The Society was dissolved in 1889 because of disagreements among the members. In 1910 the W. P. N. S. was revived by members under the original constitution.

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[1] Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society Constitution, Article I

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Dec. 14, 1964

Economically the Society is maintained through donations, the Carnegie Museum (Pittsburgh), and yearly dues. Donations in the past have been in the form of coins donated to be sold at auction and donations to cover certain expenditures. The Carnegie Museum has contributed in the form of a meeting place, a means for handling the W. P. N. S. library, and the availability of its very outstanding numismatic collection. It is interesting to note that a charter member of the Society George H. Clapp was a trustee of the Museum, A Director of the Museum was an honorary member, and four others have served as curators or associates in the Museum's Section of Coins. In 1963 the active membership list contained fifty-five names. This includes one corresponding member in South Australia and three honorary members. Attendance at meetings is usually about twenty.

The Society is affiliated with the parent organization, the American Numismatic Association (A. N. A.). as member number 39. The affiliation is on a that's the way it has been, that's the way it will be basis, now, but we do contribute to the A. N. A. publication "The Numismatist" and we in return have the use of their facilities, the most valued of which is their library. Contact by members has given us a corresponding affiliation with The Boston Archaeological Society and the highly valued privilege of using the vast quantity of materials belonging to the American Numismatic Society in New York. The W.P.N.S. is highly respected among numismatic clubs in the U. S. and many parts of the world.

The Society is regulated by the original constitution and By-Laws (adopted October 4, 1938). Original documents are maintained in the Society library. Organizational rules are stated in the By-laws. Regular meetings are held in the Carnegie Museum the first Tuesday of each month. Five resident members are necessary for the transaction of business. The order of business is as follows:

"1. Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. Treasurer's report.

2. Reports of Committees.

3. Correspondence.

4. Deferred business.

5. New Business.

6. Program.

7. Adjournment. " [2]

Meetings are formal in the manner stated in the By-Laws. Basically they are channeled along a numismatic line, although at times things get bogged down in method and organization problems. Numismatically, reports of the new issue committee are heard. These pertain to various new coins, numismatic books, and publications recently issued. The new coin reports are generally sketchy ~~because~~ These are well reported in other numismatic publications which the members are assumed to be in contact with. Yet coins of special interest are mentioned. The recent Austrian Mint error on the 1964 Grillparzer commemorative twenty-five schilling piece received much

attention. Books and publications are of fundamental importance and are usually reported. This is in line with the basic numismatic intent of the organization. Counterfeit and reproductions of numismatic items are reported by any individual who has obtained information on such. This a protective measure for members and possibly for the world of coin collectors. Coin robberies, becoming quite prevalent in the Pittsburgh area, are reported in the same vein. The program is a paper presented by one of the members as speaker of the evening. The subject of the paper can be on any of the various fields of numismatics. A few of the papers to be read over the period September, 1964 to August, 1965 are "Numismatic Equestrians", Swastika on Coins", "Religous Controversy on Coins", and "Early American Gold". The papers should be about one half hour in length. Last and many times the most interesting is the viewing of exhibits. A short review of materials displayed is presented by the individual displayers. After adjournment the displays are viewed by the members.

Officers are President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Curator. The President presides at all meetings. His expressed job is to approve all expenditures ordered by the Society and to direct the activities of the Society. The Vice-President is to assume the duties of the President in his absence. He will also assume the office and title in the event of a vacancy in the Presi-

dential office."The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep adirect minutes of all meetings of the Society",[2] the accounts between the Society and its members, receive money due the Society, notify members of the time and place of the meetings, and shall verify the President's approval of expenditures ordered by the Society, has custody of Society funds, and is to pay all obligations of the Society. He also assumes the informal role of disseminator of information, which becomes his most ticklish problem. The Society tries to maintain good relations with the various segments of the numimatic press, other societies, and the members of the W. P. N. S. The other officers assume the role of integrators within the Society and the numismatic world. They take the lead in introducing new mwembers to the Society and its functions. The interests of all members should be known to them so that they can pass this information to other members having like interests.

The Curator

Committees are as follows: The Executive Committee consisting of the officers and chairman of the Membership, Program,and Publicity Committees. It has the power to act for the Society in emergency matters.; The Membership Committee receives, investigates, and submits a written report on applications and recommendations

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[2] By-Laws of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society adopted October 4, 1938.

for membership.; The Program Committee has charge of programs and special events. It also has the responsibility of arranging a meeting place.; The Publicity Committee has been taken over as the job of the Secretary-Treasurer with assistance from the other officers; The Auditing Committee is appointed yearly, consisting of two members, intrusted with the job of auditing the records of the Secretary-Treasurer and reviewing the library and other holdings of the Society. A written report of audit is to be made.

Officers are chosen for their vitality in Society functions and ability to get the job done. Generally people move up one rung in the official ladder yearly upon new elections provided that they desire to accept the next position and have shown an ability to do their original job. Still officers are nominated and voted for by the members so that this gradual advancement is not always the case.

Via the fore-mentioned regulatory facilities and other mutual understandings stemming from common expectations, beliefs, and ideals the Society has remained a unit for fifty-four years and as of now a break up is completely unforeseen. To understand the ideals and the basis for mutual understandings it may be helpful to site a specific example. When looking at the world of coin collectors, we find that coin collecting is not new.

The hobby was quite prevalent among people in ancient civilizations and has remained so to the present. It is normal for people to want to save and maintain items such as coins. Soon this collection and maintainance idea turns to a desire to know about these items (how they were made, where they were made, why they were made, what the inscriptions are, what others are available, etc.). Each question proposes more questions. An attempt to answer these questions are the basis of the numismatic science. Since 1955 a new angle has begun to dominate the field of coin collecting, the idea of coin investment. It is thought by many that the values of coins kept in new condition will increase greatly. This coin investment phenomena is, barring war and natural catastrophies, probably the most disruptive force to ever hit coin collecting and numismatics. Past numismatists have been caught up in the fury to make maoney. They have ceased thinking of numismatics as a very pleasurable and worth-while past time. They are out to make money. Collecting becomes a job, and the money invested puts people in the position of possibly losing everything with the collapse of the ballooning phoney market. Coin clubs lose their calming quality and become whirlpools of buying and selling akin to a blossoming stock exchange. They grow in members and soon become unmanageable. In the face of this turbulence, what has happened to the W.F.N.S.? It has become perhaps a stronger and more unified group than ever before. The reasons for this are quite apparent.

The Society has a strong constitution, a long term i interest in numismatics, a well thought out program of future programs, and the mutual understanding that coin investment has no place in the Society functions. The constitution is specific in stating that the object of the Society is "the promotion of Numismatic Science". The long term interest in numismatics has produced first, stabilizing qualities in the older members. Second, a wealth of knowledge and interests that is passed from these elders to the younger members. Third, numismatic collections have grown to the point that interest is centered in these fields and does not fall into new coin investment. Fourth, collections have become varied alonghlines such as medals, tokens, and other fields in which the speculative segment has not taken hold. A definite desire to keep the W.P.N.S. out of the investment field has grown, perhaps a type of counter revolution. A pre-thought out program has made it possible by the choice of speakers and subjects to increase the desire for numismatic study.

The acceptance of new members is now based on two new lines of thinking. The number of members is limited allowing a manageable organization, ~~and~~ The ~~x~~ numismatic versus investment principles are to be considered. The Society is pretty much of a closed organization. Admission of members goes as follows: Prospective members are first asked to attend the meetings as guests of members. (Guests are few and have a good basic interest

in numismatics). If they should then desire to become members they must present written application. The applicant must then be proposed in writing by a member, in good standing. The nomination then lays over until the next regular meeting of the Society. The election is then held by ballot. Two-thirds vote of members present is necessary for admission. Three black balls excludes proposed member.

As for disruptive forces in the Society it is beleived that the only possible reason for the collapse of the Society would be basic dishonesty, probably climaxing in the stealing of exhibit materials. However because of the selective principles this is not foreseen. One other question that may be asked could be : How much effect does the idea of excluding coin investment control the personal dealings of the members? It is beleived that members have not moved into the investment flurry. They have , thaough, in nearly all cases made money in the buying and selling of coins. As one member puts it "Individually they make money on coins, in a group they are as pure as the driven snow."

Regardless the W.P.N.S. is still a Society in which members are enjoying themselves, their associations, their coins, and are putting out worthwhile numismatic information, and generally promoting the Science of Numismatics.

2nd Reading scheduled for February Meeting following delay of 1 month.

Mr. Edmund Schenck, Jr.,
6036 Poketa Rd ,
Verona, Pa.

Admitted April, 1965

Age 40

Sec'y for Foord Servicing Corp ((J.A.Davison, Associates)

Proposed by Ray Byrne
All Fees paid.

Recommendation of Mt. Porter, Chr. of Membership Committee that
Mr. Schenck be proposed for admittance to Society

6230 Fifth Avenue
Pittsburgh 32, Pa.
October 4, 1964

Mr. Raymond A. Byrne
701 N. Negley Avenue
Pittsburgh 6, Pa.

Dear Ray,

I would like to recommend the following man as a prospective member of the WPNS:

Phone
364-3948

Mr. James I. McGuire
Administrator
Western Pennsylvania Hospital
4800 Friendship Avenue
Pittsburgh 24, Pa.

Mr. McGuire has expressed an interest in the WPNS, and I would be most happy to take him to one of our meetings, if I were certain that I will be remaining in Pittsburgh. Since I am not certain, would you, as president of the WPNS, be kind enough to issue him an invitation to attend as a guest?

Mr. McGuire is a true numismatist and, judging by his A.N.A. number, has been collecting for many years. His present interest lies in the field of medals. I have known Mr. McGuire for over ten years and feel he would make an excellent member of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society.

Sincerely,

Charlie

Charles F. Gratz

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Order of Business

Annual Meeting

June 1, 1965

1. Introduce guests
2. Advise progress of Bartley, Kiefer, Sloss.
3. Reading of the minutes of the May meeting.
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Annual Report of Secretary
6. Annual Report of Treasurer
7. Annual Report of Curator
8. Annual Report of President
9. Reports of Committees
    a. Membership - Porter
    b. Coin Information - Hudson
    c. Library - Burns
    d. Program - (Sloss) Foley, Hudson (August Social and Annual Dinner)
    e. Nominating - Porter (Report only, hold election under New Business.
10. Correspondence
11. Deferred Business
12. New Business
    a. Motions by Secretary
    b. Presentation of ANA Educational Award
    c. Any other
    d. Election of Officers (they do not begin to act until July meeting)

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13. Program (Foley should introduce Hudson in Sloss' absence)

14. Members displays

15. Adjournment

President's Report for Year, 1964-65

With this, mt final report to our Society as president for the past two years, I wish to let you all know that it has been a distinct privilege and honor to have served you in this capacity. with full knowledge that your elected officers which preceeded me and to those who will now follow have and will continue to enhance the fine name of our Society and will, I am confident, promote the advancement of numismatics as has been the long custom of our group.

The report of the Secretary has shown you that some advancements and improvements have been realized during the past term. Most notable of course, are the meeting quarters which I am sure you will agree are ample for our needs with excertional lighing facilities to add to the enjoyment of our hobby. For this we must give a warm thanks to our old and true friend, William W. Woodside. It seems that we have been continually blessed with exceptional talent in the most important task of Secretary-Treasurer and I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to publicly thank our present secretary for all his past work and wish him continued good wishes for the year ahead. We have seen the inauguration of "taped minutes with background music" as becoming an integral part (and I might add--a very enjoyable portion) of our meetings.

During the past term you have had the 1928 medals of our Society restruck and made available to the membership. Most important however has been the continuing fine performance of our members with most excellent papers being presented and in most cases published in the numismatic trade journals. Two outstanding speakers have graced our table at the annual diuner affairs. We have also been honored with the visits of notables in the field from far off places.

President's Report, 1964-65

More important however has been the comradie of the group at our MEETINGS AND 'get-togethers' following the meetings. These have proved most heart warming and vainly enough, most enlightening, numismatically speaking. All in all, the esprit de corps is, I feel on the "UP". With the continued and energetic effort of your new officers we can continue to upgrade the Society both at home and abroad. Let us hope to see the time when we will all be vieing for the presentation of illuminated talks. Reports coming back already indicate that your Society is one of the most revered groups of its kind in America today. Let's keep it that way.

To the gentlemen who follow in the footsteps of Clapp, Marlier, Eastwood, Locker, Woodside, Coatsworth, Porter, Scaife, or Foley, TAKE NOTE: Your exceptional qualities and leadership have been duly noted here tonight. KEEP the TRUST of Integrity and Honor that has been our lot. We are all counting on you and will- give you every assistance possible.

Most sincerely,

Ray Byrne

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Secretary's Annual Report

June 1, 1965

As provided for by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, the duties of your Secretary are multifarious and multitudinous.

Article II, paragraph 3. requires the following of the Secretary:

a. "----shall keep correct minutes of all meetings of the Society----." The meetings during the past year have been tape recorded in toto. The minutes have been accurately and completely transcribed from these recordings. The programs from each meeting have been trans-recorded on one tape, indexed, and are available for future use. The minutes of the previous meeting have been presented by tape at each meeting, exactly as transcribed.

It should be noted that the By-Laws require that the minutes be kept "in books provided for the purpose". They have not been so kept, as no books were provided. Typewritten,dated and signed minutes entitled "Secretary's Report" do exist however.

b. "----he shall keep the accounts between the Society and its members----". The accounting of all Society monies is completely covered in the monthly Treasurer's Reports. Appended hereto is a list of all Society members showing the status of their dues.

At the beginning of the year there were 22 delinquent members with a total delinquency of $28.00. At present there is only one member delinquent and he has been so for three years. In accordance with the By-Laws, it will be recommended at tonight's meeting that he be suspended.

For information, the 1965-66 dues become due and payable tonight. Nineteen members are involved and will be so advised under "New Business".

c. "----he shall receive all money due the Society, and shall pay it over to the Treasurer taking his receipt for the same----". As your Secretary is also your Treasurer, this additional bookkeeping was ignored.

d. "----shall notify all members of the time and place of meetings----". Six hundred and eleven meeting notice postcards were hand addressed and mailed with appropriate notations concerning delinquent dues, program changes and election of new members.

e. "-----shall attest the President's approval of expenditures ordered by the Society". This formality has been complied with in that all disbursements have been by check, all checks being signed by both the President and the Secretary-Treasurer.

So much for the statutory duties of the office. The By-laws do not recognize that correspondence may be necessary to the proper functioning of the Society. In lieu of such designation of duties the function has evolved on the Secretary. During the past year there have been 186 pieces of outgoing correspondence prepared and mailed and 201 pieces of incoming correspondence have been received and acted upon.

Now for some statistics: During the past year there were thirteen meetings, eleven regular, the Social and the Dinner Meeting. Total attendance has been 224 plus 88 guests. Total attendance at regular meetings has been 181 plus 34 guests, or an average of 16.5 members and 3 guests per meeting. September was the best attended meeting with 26 and July the worst with 13. Attendance was not recorded by name at the September meeting so the following statistics are in error by the unknowns of that meeting. Of the ten recorded regular meetings Messers. Knabenschuh and Otterman attended all, Messers, Foley, Hunter and Gloss all but one, and Messers. Byrne, Dodrill and Woodside all but two. Messers. Byrne, Foley, Goddy, Knabenschuh and Nelson exhibited at every meeting which they attended. Twenty-five of the 57 members on the rolls, or 44%, did not attend any of the regular meetings.

Your Secretary spent 82-3/4 hours during the past year preparing for, and reporting on Society business.

Three new members were elected during the year. Seven members presented programs during the year with Mr. Byrne presenting two. Six members were unable to present their scheduled talks. Nine ANA Educational Awards were presented by the Society during the year.

In this regard, it should be noted that there were 116 items of publicity about the WPNS or its members during the past year. I should like to point out at this time that the By-Laws, Article III, paragraph 1 require that a standing Publicity Committee be appointed the duties of which, in part, are that they "-----shall, wherever possible, bring to public attention the activities of the Society----". As no such committee has been appointed in recent years, this function has wrongly been assumed by the Secretary. It is therefore requested that the newly elected President appoint an active Publicity Committee to discharge this and their other assigned duties as your Secretary is unable to continue to fulfill this assumed task.

While on the subject of publicity, I would like to single out our retiring President Mr. Raymond A. Byrne for particular mention. It is largely due to his activities during the past year that our publicity figure stands so high. Among his more notable accomplishments are the following: Won the Heath Literary Award for 1964, won the Henry Christensen Award for the best Latin American Exhibit at the 1964 ANA Convension, wrote and had published numerous articles, two of which were printed in three issues of WORLD COINS and one in the Carnegie Magazine, appointed to the Heath Literary Awards Committee for 1965, and presently leading the field by a large margin as a candidate for the 1965 ANA Board of Governors. Wihtout a doubt Ray has been the WPNS "Numismatist of the Year".

One last set of statistics. Article I, paragraph 1 of the By-Laws specify that "The regular meeting shall be held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M." The earliest a meeting was started during the past year was 8:00 P.M., the latest 8:40. The average starting time was 8:21 P.M.

As pointed out above, there are numerous divergences from the By-Laws, some completely ignored, some slightly bent. For this reason it is recommended that the newly elected President appoint a Committee to study, revise, and propose a new set of By-Laws which are updated to reflect the present conduct of the Society's business.

Respectfully submitted

Original signed by
John L. Knabenschuh
John L. Knabenschuh
Secretary

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Status of Dues 6/1/65

Paid up thru June 30 year indicated.

Adams	66	Gratz	65	Onchman	66
Atchison	69	Greig	66	Otterman	66
Bartley	66	Hendell	65	Paul	65
Beam	66	Hollander	65	Peters	65
Burns	67	Hudson	66	Porter	66
Byrne	68	Hunter	65	Pesont	66
Cingota	65	Kennedy	66	Romah	66
Courtney	66	Kiefer	65	Scheetz	66
Davis, D.	65	Knabenschuh	71	Schenck	67
Davis, M.	65	Krchnak	66	Sloss	67
DeVos	67	Lando	67	Smith	65
Dixon	66	Laughlin	65	Stockdale	65
Dodrill	67	Lencofsky	62	Tosch	65
Eastwood	HM	Lloyd	65	Walton	65
Feisel	65	Loomis	65	Whan	71
Foley	65	Marlier	HM	Williams	66
Gillis	66	Mooney	67	Woodside	HM
Glose	66	Murdoch	66	Yantschik	66
Goddy	68	Nelson	66	Yeager	66

1965-66 dues are due prior to the next meeting for those who have 65 appearing after their name.

John L. Knabenschuh
John L. Knabenschuh,
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Annual Treasurer's Report

June 1, 1965

Balance 6/2/64		$ [illegible]
Income:		
Dues	$76.00	
Initiation fees	6.00	
Sale of Medallions	20.00	
Admissions (Social and Dinner)	382.50	
Donations	60.18	
Auction	159.25	
Subtotal	$703.93	703.93
		$1090.60
Disbursements:		
Postage	$ 10.36	
Printing	97.60	
Social meeting	95.63	
Dinner meeting	290.00	
Gift for Henry Christensen	10.00	
Carnegie Institute Society	12.50	
Recording tape	8.68	
Binding of Numismatists	24.75	
Donation to ANA Home and Headquarters	60.00	
Subtotal	$609.52	$ 609.52
Balance 6/1/65		$ 481.08

John L. Knabenschuh

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Treasurer

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Order of Business

Annual Meeting

June 1, 1965

11 members Present.
No guests.

✓ 1. Introduce guests

✓ 2. Advise progress of Bartley, Kiefer, Sloss.

✓ 3. Reading of the minutes of the May meeting.

✓ 4. Treasurer's Report

✓ 5. Annual Report of Secretary

✓ 6. Annual Report of Treasurer

✓ 7. Annual Report of Curator

✓ 8. Annual Report of President

✓ 9. Reports of Committees

- ✓ a. Membership - Porter
- ✓ b. Coin Information - Hudson
- ✓ c. Library - Burns
- ✓ d. Program - (Sloss) Foley, Hudson (August Social and Annual Dinner)
- ✓ e. Nominating - Porter (Report only, hold election under New Business.
  Pres. - Dr. James O Sloss, V. Pres. Glenn O Mooney
  Sec Treas John L Knabenschuh

✓ 10. Correspondence

✓ 11. Deferred Business

✓ 12. New Business

- ✓ a. Motions by Secretary Dues for 1965-66 due by next meeting ✓
  NAME AUDITING COMMITTEE (DODRILL, GLOSE, OTTERMAN)
- ✓ b. Presentation of ANA Educational Award
- ✓ c. Any other
- ✓ d. Election of Officers (they do not begin to act until July meeting)

13. Program (Foley should introduce Hudson in Sloss' absence)

14. Members displays

15. Adjournment

W. P. N. S. Library Committee.
Jas. Burns, John Kuchenbuch
Dr. R. J. Hudson.

The order of business shall be as follows, viz:

1. Reading of the minutes of the previous. meeting. - Treasurer's report.
2. Reports of Committees.
3. Correspondence.
4. Deferred business.
5. New business.
6. Program.
7. Adjournment.

MEMBERSHIP	COIN INFORMATION	PROGRAM
Robert S. Porter	Robert J. Hudson	James O. Sloss
Philip A. Williams	Gordon Dodrill	Richard T. Foley
William W. Woodside	Jack F. Burns	Robert L. Glose
Emerson S. Smith		David L. Davis

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ANA Life #39

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SUBJECT: Memorandum to all clubs holding ANA Membership:

The Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, founded June 14, 1878 takes great pride in announcing that it has unanimously voted to nominate its current president, Ray Byrne of Pittsburgh, Pa., for the 1965 election to the Board of Governors of the American Numismatic Association.

Ray is a Life Member of the A.N.A. as well as a chairman of the Penn-Ohio Coin Clubs Board of Governors in which organization he holds Life Membership No. 6. He has been singularly honored as a Fellow in the Royal Numismatic Society connected with the British Museum in London. During the past year, Ray was selected to chairman the recent Penn-Ohio Coin Clubs 25th Anniversary convention, a task that he had held in 1958 and again in 1961. He was a member of the A.N.A. "Code of Ethics Committee" in 1963-64.

Mr. Byrne has been an energetic, active and sincere numismatist for the past 20 years. He has authored numerous monographs which have appeared in the Numismatist, Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine, Coins Magazine, Numismatic News, Coin World, and World Coins in this country as well as publications abroad. Among these were such enlightening articles as "U.S.Rarities", "Mints of the Americas", "The Case of the Confusing Mint Marks", "Captain Smith's Hogges" (Bermuda Coinage Review) and he has received the Bronze Medal for the Heath Literary Award from the American Numismatic Association for his monograph entitled "The Legend of Rincon" which appeared in the Numismatist.

After many years of study and writing in the United States field of numismatics, Ray turned his activities towards the Spanish American branch of coin study and began his research into the coinage of the West Indies Islands, at which task he is currently assembling the reference material into book form for the Cut and Counterstamped Coins of the Caribbean area.

Besides being the current president of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society, Mr. Byrne has held the presidency in the Pittsburgh Numismatic Society and the Allegheny-Kiski Valley Coin Clubs. He is no newcomer to numismatics and has been noted for his organizational abilities and sound numismatic judgment.

A native Pittsburgher, Ray was born on November 28, 1913 and following his elementary education attended the Pennsylvania State University. He is married to his college sweetheart, Margaret Folk Byrne and they have five children, three girls and two boys. Two daughters and a son are married and they, in turn, have graced the Byrne family with nine grandchildren. Currently he is director of the Byrne Memorial Home which was founded by his grandfather, Patrick C. Byrne in 1870 and has provided continuous service to the public since its inception.

We feel that your support, and if you will, your seconding nominations for Ray Byrne will be in the best interests of the American Numismatic Assoc.. The W.P.N.S. will appreciate any help you may be willing to give this matter. We know that the man we are nominating for this office is a proven numismatist of the first rank and is not associated with any agency or organization where there might be a conflict of interest.

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Finally, may we apologize for sending this form letter. A personal note to each group would be our ideal way of contacting you, but the mechanics of such an undertaking make this impossible. We hope you will understand.

Mr. Byrne's vital statistics, awards and affiliations are appended below. We feel confident that your subsequent endorsement and seconding nomination which you may send to the executive secretary, Mr. Don Sherer, 3520 N. 7th St., Phoenix, Arizona, (85014) will be a progressive step in the right direction towards the advancement of an active and cooperative A.N.A.

Most cordially,

John L. Knabenschuh
John L. Knabenschuh, ANA Life #473
Secretary-Treasurer
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

James O. Sloss M.D.
James O. Sloss, M.D. ANA #7718
Vice-President
Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society

RAY BYRNE

Vital Statistics
Born, Pittsburgh, Pa., Nov. 28, 1913
Occupation-Funeral Director
Education: Pennsylvania State University, 1935
Background: Football Editor, 'Encyclopedia of Sports'
Public Relations Director, Pittsburgh Steelers Football Club, 1947-1958
Author of "Complete Statistical History of Foobtall, 1869-1947".
Married, 30 years...5 children, 9 grandchildren

AWARDS
Numerous trophies for exhibiting in the United States and Spanish American fields of numismatics at regional and National Conventions
Henry Christensen Award for Top exhibit in Spanish American Coins at the 1964 ANA
Heath Literary Award for his article, "The Legend of Rincon", Numismatist, 1963
Honorary Life Membership in the Pittsburgh Numismatic Society
Elected Fellow in the Royal Numismatic Society, British Museum, London England

AFFILIATIONS
American Numismatic Association Life Member No. 297
American Numismatic Society
Royal Numismatic Society
Canadian Numismatic Association
Life Member, Penn-Ohio Coin Clubs, No. 6
Association Numismatica Espana
Numismatic Society of South Australia
Sociedad Numismatica de Mexico
Token and Medal Society
Pittsburgh Numismatic Society
Allegheny-Kiski Valley Coin Club
Middle Atlantic Num. Assoc. #297
Northeast Ohio Coin Clubs
California State Numismatic Assoc.
International Numismatic Society
Florida United Numismatists
Lake Erie Exonomist Society
Many other local and State Coin Clubs

July 29, 1964

Dr. James O. Sloss
1010 Fourth Street
Beaver, Pennsylvania

Dear Jim:

I have made the final arrangements with Stouffer's on Wood Street for our annual banquet in November. The date will be Saturday, November 14. Dinner will be at 6:30.

The dinner will consist of steak, baked potato, salad, etc. The cost will be $4.16. A charge of $5.00 per person should take care of tips, guests and other expenses.

I am wondering whether you have had any success in getting a speaker. If you need any help along this line let me know.

Hoping to see you and Mrs. Sloss at Webster Hall on August 4th.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very truly yours,

Dick

Richard T. Foley

RTF:vb
cc: Ray Byrne

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10/9/64

Ray-
These are drafts of what I will ~~not~~ type up this weekend & mail out (meeting report only) to CW, WC, NSM, & Numismatist. I am sending them to you for info.

I think we should make a concerted effort to get future meetings started promptly at 8PM. We aren't being fair to speaker or exhibitors if we don't.

Dick Foley questioned me on the dues year. Foley says it's fiscal, you said it was calendar, Mooney doesn't know and the By-laws don't say.

I would like it settled & inserted in the ~~minutes~~ minutes. My specific question is - "In the dues records which I received from Mooney, what does it mean when the column ~~checked~~ marked '64' is checked?" Paid up thru June '64, 12/31/64, or June '65?

Best regards,

John

To: Mr. Raymond A. Byrne
Dr. James O. Gross
Mr. Robert S. Porter, Jr.

1/18/65

Dear Ray, Jim & Bob:

Due to the great deal of discussion concerning prospective members of WPNS at the last meeting, I am sending you a copy of the minutes.

Please read these minutes and let me know by 1/28 if there is anything in there that is not as you understand it.

Without going into great detail, I have tried to record the consensus and final resolution of the many discussions.

Best regards,

John.

REQUEST FOR AWARD

_____
(date)

This is a request that an Educational Award Certificate be issued to

_____, who recently gave an educational
(Name of Person)

talk before the _____. This talk
(Name of Club or Organization)

(was) (was not) accompanied by a suitable exhibit or display and was on

the subject of _____.
(Subject or Title of talk)

It was approximately a _____ minute talk before _____ people.
(length) (number)

IT IS OUR RECOMMENDATION THAT THIS PERSON BE GIVEN THIS EDUCATIONAL AWARD CERTIFICATE FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF NUMISMATICS.

_____
Name of club A.N.A. Number

_____
Address

_____
City State Zip

_____
Club Officer Title

Note: Not more than one request per meeting may be sent in by any one club.

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